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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed with a Request for Continued Examination. The Preliminary Amendment responds to the Office Action dated January 21, 2009, for which a shortened statutory period of three months ending April 21, 2009 was set in which to respond, the following amendments and comments are submitted and reconsideration of the claim rejections is respectfully requested.

In view of the attached RCE, this response is considered timely.

Listing/Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.